

Keep Back Plate Hook Hooking

If the M2's backplate bolt latch release isn't completely doing its job, the bolt release lever won't stay down when the gun's fired in automatic mode. The bolt catch will continually hit the notches on top of the bolt and round out the notches. That can cause a runaway gun.

Armorsers, you can stop that by making sure the metallic tube holds the latch release all the way down. If it doesn't do that, **slightly** bend the hook with pliers so that it does. If the hook still won't hold the latch

release all the way down, the metallic tube, NSN 4710-00-726-5562, should be replaced by support.

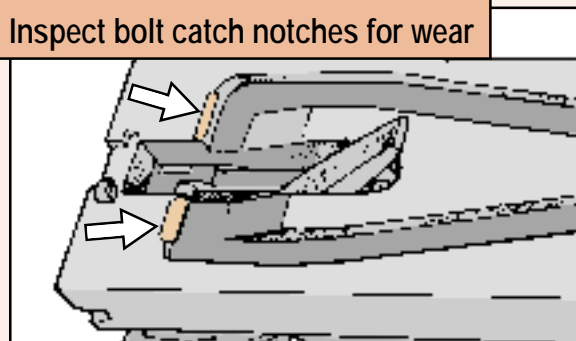
When the metallic tube is engaged, make sure there is no looseness in the bolt catch.

Also inspect the bolt catch notches for any signs of wear. If there are any, support needs to check out the bolt.

Bend hook to hold bolt latch release



Inspect bolt catch notches for wear



Make sure your gunners know to push the bolt latch release all the way down for automatic firing. That saves wear and tear on the bolt catch notches.

